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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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| Application No.:     | 10/678,868            | § | Examiner:       | El Arini, Zeinab |
| Filed:               | October 3, 2003       | § | Group/Art Unit: | 1746             |
| Inventor:            |                       | § | Atty. Dkt. No:  | 5863-00101       |
| Karen Lynn DeMartini |                       | § |                 |                  |
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**AMENDMENT ACCOMPANYING REQUEST FOR CONTINUED  
EXAMINATION**

**Mail Stop RCE**  
Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

This paper is submitted in as an amendment accompanying the Request for Continued Examination submitted herewith; and to further highlight why the application is in condition for allowance.

Please amend the case as listed below.